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DEAN GUEST OF HONOR AT LAW BANQUET

Junior Class Holds Forth at Congressional Café in Enthusiastic Affair

FACULTY MEMBERS SPEAK

Amidst scenes of great enthusiasm the Junior Law Class held a most enjoyable smoker on the night of Friday, March 11, at the Congressional Café. Besides accomplishing one of its primary objects in effecting a closer association between the members of the class and the faculty, and also giving the fellows a better acquaintance with each other, the affair instilled in them a bond of unity which will develop more and more into the much-to-be-desired class spirit. It was the opinion of all present that henceforth the Class of 1911 will be a decided factor in the University during the time they remain there, and after graduation they will continue to do all they can as a class to keep up the high standard of George Washington Law School, which Dean Vance told us had come to be recognized over the whole country.

Mr. W. Jefferson Davis, President of the Class, welcomed the class and faculty in a speech which a certain member of the faculty later on described as "soaring high" in the realms of oratory. He then introduced Prof. Vance, Dean of the Law School, who was the honor guest of the evening.

Dean Vance in the early part of his talk gave a humorous account of his trouble in finding the banquet hall, and also referred to the fact that it was impossible for him to reach the heights that his "Brother Davis" had attained. In speaking of the future of the Law School, he said:

"A certain professor of one of the best known law schools in the country was speaking to me the other day and said that George Washington was now ranked as one of the five great law schools of the country. I think he was not far wrong. I really think that among the educators over the country at large this law school has come to occupy one of the foremost positions in legal education of the world today. If work is kept up, the character of the student body is maintained, and

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PYRAMIDS ELECT SIX MEN

Honored for Their Activity in Student Interests by New Honor Society

PERIOD CLOSES IN APRIL

The Pyramid Honor Society held its first election last week, when members for the ensuing year were chosen. Six undergraduates were fortunate enough to receive the unanimous vote of the society and were declared elected.

They are the following:

Norris Bowen
Carl Butman
John C. Carpenter
Theodore H. Eickhoff
J. Ralph Fehr
Ernest O. Schrieber

By the rules of the society eight men may be selected in the spring elections and two in the fall. The election period closes the last Monday in April, before which time they may be taken in at any regular meeting of the society. A banquet, which is to become an annual event, is scheduled for the end of April, after which officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

The artistic signs which have appeared in the University halls on the bulletin boards are the official notification of the society to the school that elections are in progress. These signs will remain until the period for elections close or until the quota of members is filled. The members hope to have their pins, which are shaped like pyramids, with Egyptian hieroglyphics engraved on the base, in the near future.

DEBATERS LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA

Messrs. Bowen and Blakesley, who constitute the team selected to represent this University in the debate with the University of California, will depart for the West on Friday or Saturday of this week. The contest is to be held at the beautiful Pacific coast town of Los Angeles.

The debaters are to be envied their prospective trip. It is expected that they will go out via the "Washington-Sunset Route," through Atlanta, New Orleans and San Antonio, returning north through the Yosemite Valley to San Francisco, thence west to Salt

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BANQUET COMMITTEE'S FIRST MEETING

Arrangements for Event in Honor of Dean Vance Suggested

H. P. DUBOIS IS CHAIRMAN

The first meeting of the committee in charge of the banquet to be given in honor of Dean Vance was held Monday night, at which an organization was effected and the general plans for the banquet outlined.

The date of the banquet has been set for Friday, April 30, but the place has not yet been decided. The banquet is to be given primarily by the students and alumni of the Law School, but participation will be open to any of Dean Vance's friends. Every student of law will be approached during the next few weeks to signify his intention in regard to the affair. The price has been set for \$3 a plate, which the committee feel, in view of the purpose of the affair, is within the reach of every member of the law department. The alumni have been invited to designate representatives from each class to act on the general committee. The undergraduate committee is composed of the following: Henry P. DuBois, chairman; F. F. Ford, Hubbard J. Swift, P. Bradley, R. H. Tilton, W. J. Davis, D. A. Baer, E. W. Bond, F. Dulles, B. Helms, and R. Gamble.

Professor Lorenzen is acting as faculty representative of the committee.

ALUMNI NEWS

Antonio C. Gonzalez, Jr., Bachelor of Laws, 1909, former captain of the George Washington baseball team, hung out his shingle the first of this month in Hartford Connecticut.

Theodore Weed, who attended the George Washington Law School from 1907 to 1909, formerly of the Department of Commerce and Labor, has recently been appointed chief clerk of the Postoffice.

In Seattle, "The Home of Opportunity," there is being organized the Puget Sound Branch of the George Washington

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THE GIRL AND THE PAGE WANT A CHORUS

Hero and Heroine of Musical Comedy Without Support

NEXT REHEARSAL FRIDAY

A plaintive cry from the young juveniles, the "Girl" and the "Page" who are to serve as heroine and hero of the musical comedy by that name, to be presented by the Calcium Club, has been sounded in the University corridors. The young people in question feel decidedly aggrieved that a struggling crowd does not appear in West hall and demand places in the chorus. Plenty have modestly requested leading parts, admitting their ability in dramatics, but few remain to kick their heels in the fancy pironetting of the second act or lead the soldier boys in the third act.

This strange bashfulness, whether natural or assumed, must be overcome if the Calcium Club is to present a full-fledged musical comedy next May. About 20 places are open and will be allotted in the near future to the first applicants that appear, regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

It is the duty of the student body to support this undertaking, which will serve not only to arouse spirit among the men in the school, but also to advertise the University more widely. The meetings of the club, which are held on Friday evenings, are full of enjoyment, and all who attend are not only benefiting the institution of which they claim to be members, but also they are affording a great deal of pleasure for themselves as well as others.

The next rehearsal will be on Friday of this week. All students are urged to try for places in the chorus. Remember there are twenty of them to be assigned, beside the sixteen in the caste.

Manager Newhouser is not able to announce the theater in which the play will be given, but has stated that May 2 or 3 will probably be the time. A thorough canvass of the University and the Alumni in the city will be made in order to secure as large and as representative an audience as possible. In fact, if plans do not go awry, the night of the play will be a gathering of patriotic Hatchet-

ites whether of the present or past generation such as could be secured at no other University function of the calendar.

DEBATERS LEAVE

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Lake and on to Denver over the Denver & Rio Grande, aptly termed "the scenic railway of the West." From Denver they will go to Chicago, thence to Cincinnati, and so home. Mr. Blakesley has friends in Los Angeles (his former home) and in San Francisco, while Mr. Bowen has friends in Chicago. Each of the men expects to stop over on short visits at the cities mentioned.

The question for the debate is: "Resolved, That state, county and city officers should be nominated by conventions rather than by direct primaries." George Washington to uphold the negative. In supporting the direct primary side of this question our men will endeavor to show that the ideal convention cannot accomplish those things which its advocates admit are required of a nominating system, and that the actual modern convention falls so far short of the ideal convention that the direct primary is the logical remedy that has been forced upon a people consciously striving toward a betterment of their political machinery. The speeches will probably be 20 minutes each, with 5 minutes for rebuttal. Mr. Bowen will speak first, then Mr. Blakesley, Mr. Bowen following with the rebuttal.

The George Washington team has worked faithfully in preparing for what they realize will be a big struggle—a struggle of the West against the East. A victory will mean much glory for our Alma Mater, as well as for the debaters personally, and the contest is being watched with peculiar interest not only by the student body of this University, but by those interested in intercollegiate debating all over the country.

So let us trust that our men will present a case "based upon irrefutable logic, couched in pleasing language and delivered in irresistible manner." We wish them God-speed and success.

Alumni Election of Trustees

During the month of March and until the 15th of April the election by the Alumni Association for two of the Trustees will be held. The resolution of June, 1909, provides that of the twenty-five Trustees of the University, four shall be the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, the Secretary of Interior, and the Commissioner of Education, and that of the remaining twenty-one that there shall be three classes of seven each, whose terms of office shall expire in 1910, 1911 and 1912, respectively. In each of these classes two are to be

elected by the Alumni of the University.

"No one shall be eligible for election as an Alumni Trustee except a graduate of the University of not less than ten years' standing. Holders of any degree, honorary or in course, of not less than three years standing in any college or department of the University who are members of the general Alumni Association or any local Association, or who shall pay annually a fee of \$1 to the general Association, shall be entitled to nominate and vote for Alumni Trustees at any election."

Each alumnus may nominate three or four times as many names as there are vacancies to be filled on the nominating ballot. On the electing ballot there are twice as many names as there are vacancies to be filled, and the Trustees chosen are those obtaining the highest number of votes on this ballot.

The election board, which meets to count the votes on the Monday preceding commencement, consists of the Secretary of the University, the Secretary of the general Alumni Association, and a third member elected annually by the Board of Trustees.

"Vacancies occurring among the Alumni Trustees, by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be filled at the next election."

ALUMNI NEWS

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Alumni Association. Mr. Willis B. Herr, Law '87, is President, Mr. John Arthur, Law '81, Secretary. A banquet was held in the middle of February, which adopted strong resolutions for the Morrill Act in the District of Columbia. A memorial was sent to Congress and all of the members promised to write personally. About fifty George Washington alumni are living in Seattle.

There are at present four George Washington men holding seats in Congress. Mr. J. W. Langley of Kentucky was of the Law Class of 1905. Wm. H. Heald of Delaware, J. N. Reynolds of Pennsylvania, and Amos Allen of Maine, all attended the George Washington Law School.

Frank Hitchcock, the Postmaster-General, graduated in 1894 from the Law School. The present Comptroller of the Currency, L. O. Murray, was in the same class.

Walter Clark, chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, is of the Class of 1870, and Benjamin F. Keller, 1882, is now a United States District judge in West Virginia.

George Washington is represented in the Municipal Court by G. C. Alcom and T. H. Cullen.

George Washington stands third on the list of Universities which have graduates in the U. S. Army.

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Needham Debating Society

The Needham Debating Society held one of the best meetings of the year Friday, March 11. The question for discussion was, "Resolved, That the substitution of a commission form of city government for the mayor and council system would promote municipal well-being." The affirmative, upheld by Arthur J. Kause and A. F. Millott, pointed out the evils of the mayor system in contrast to the excellent commission form of Government in Galveston, Texas, and Newport, R. I. The negative, represented by J. Paul Oren and P. J. Altizer, showed that corruption could exist in one form as well as the other, but that the real remedy for this evil is the adoption of the initiative and referendum and recall system.

Both sides of the question were so ably argued that the judges had considerable difficulty in coming to a decision. They deemed the arguments about evenly balanced, and therefore gave the decision to the negative. Mr. Oren and Mr. Millott were awarded first and second honors, respectively.

Columbian Debating Society

At the regular meeting of the Columbian Debating Society, held last Friday evening, the question debated pertained to the advisability of further legislation with reference to the trusts. Messrs. Marcus and Cohen upheld the affirmative, maintaining that such legislation was desirable at this time, especially in view of the re-

cent disclosures concerning the methods of the sugar trust and other combinations. Messrs. Lilley and Shaw supported the negative, contending that too much legislation against the trusts already exists.

The judges awarded their decision in favor of the negative, giving first honors to Mr. Cohen. Four first-honor men have now been selected, and upon the selection of two more the six men will participate in a preliminary debate to choose a team for the third inter-society debate.

Fraternity Tea

The Phi Delta Phi House on Iowa Circle was the scene of an informal reception on Sunday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock, the occasion being one of a series which has been given at the Chapter House this season. The reception rooms were tastefully decorated, the fraternity colors predominating. Those receiving were Mrs. C. C. Pratt of Pennsylvania, and Miss Mary Temple of Knoxville, Tenn. The punch bowl was presided over by Miss Helen McCay Phillips of Baltimore.

Among those present were Mrs. Pratt, Miss Temple, Miss Pratt, Miss Lehman, Miss Annie Booth McKinney, Miss Mary McKinney, Miss Helen McCay Phillips, Miss Candler, Miss Madden, Miss Adsit, Miss McLachlin, Miss Peyton, and Miss Phillips; Messrs. DuBois, Gordon, Worden, Helms, Davis, Clifton, Hutchison, Smith, Carpenter, McPhail, Herriott, Tilton, Graves, Poppy, Newhouser, Swift, Blount, Canavearro.

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The next issue of *The Hatchet* will appear March 31 owing to Easter holidays, which begin next week.

Our "Swan Song" will not be contained in one issue. We do not intend to bid farewells and deliver our valedictory in the final number of the year along with other insignificant details. Rather, we propose to present our concluding remarks in sections, one each issue until the material which is to form their basis is exhausted, and we shall depart from the stereotyped form enough to lay before the University a series of suggestions in regard to student affairs. These suggestions are the result of a long and varied experience with student interests. We do not, however, present them as final, nor do we contend that they are the only solution to the various problems which confront us in undergraduate activities. Our purpose will be fulfilled if we

can arouse sufficient interest and discussion to bring the questions before the students, and we shall feel satisfied even should the entire series be rejected, provided a greater interest in and a stronger devotion for the activities which represent our college life is thereby engendered.

These suggestions will be headed "Reform Suggested in Student Activities," and will include athletics, debating, college publications, and class interests. We are ready to amend, remodel, or reject whatever plans we offer on presentation of a better or more suitable solution. We are ready to advocate, in person, our suggestions before any official body. In fact, we are ready to follow any method or pursue any plan which will aid in stirring up the stagnant waters of college enthusiasm and college spirit.

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Will some one please state the facts in the Corbett-Fitzsimmons case on page 621? Mr. Calvert volunteered. Nuf sed!

The equity marks are "out" and so are some of the fellows. Accept our sympathy.

Four attorneys came into the Moot Court last week without any authorities for the legal propositions they intended to argue. Fortunately they were, indeed, that the judge continued the case. But beware, gentlemen, you may not be thus fortunate in actual practice.

Two of the professors in the department have inaugurated the idea recently suggested in *The Hatchet* of allowing a short intermission during a two-hour lecture, and the prospects are that it

will be to the interest of all concerned. One certainly does feel much refreshed after relieving his mental faculty for a short interval, especially when the subject under consideration is a difficult and technical one like Trusts. Thanks to Prof. Thurston—the first to adopt the idea—and we hope the others will soon fall in line.

Pennsylvania's Relay Races to be Better Than Ever

Pennsylvania's relay races promise to be better than ever this year. Already many of the big colleges have been heard from, and when the pistol starts the first class race on April 30, it is altogether likely that there will be hardly an absentee from either the east or west. Reports of preparation for this meet come from all quarters, so that, as for several years past, it will be most representative. The college champion-

ship races will bring together the very best runners in the entire American college world, while the special events will give the field men, the sprinters and the hurdlers a chance to prove their worth when pitted against the very best men of the country, both from the East and the West. Last year over 200 teams were on hand, and even a larger number will be seen on Franklin Field on the last Saturday in April. More colleges

will be there than will be found at any other two meets, while the same can also be said of the school teams. This is due to the fact that but four men are necessary for a team, and even at schools and colleges that have but little money to spend on track sport, it is often feasible to send a team to these great sports. In many places the runners are sent through popular subscription throughout the institution.

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"If we can send into the world a yet larger number of strong young men—men clean in body, clean in mind, and large of soul, men as capable of moral as of mental leadership, men with large thoughts beyond selfishness, ideas of leisure beyond idleness, men quick to see the difference between humor and coarseness in a jest—if we can ever and in increasing numbers send out young men of this sort, we need never fear the question, Can a young man afford the four best years of his life to go to college?"—Educational Review.

DEAN GUEST OF HONOR

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the excellent character of work done by the student body is maintained for ten years more, it is my opinion that this law school ought to be, and will be, the first law school in the United States. It ought to be so, and it is such men as you that will make it so. Professors do not amount to much. It is the character of the students."

He concluded: "But one final word. I was informed by your President that I had been elected a member of this class. I consider that a very high honor and I appreciate it very greatly. I am particularly glad to see the splendid way in which this class is developing. I am glad to see, however, that your genius is not budding in the way of a certain genius I heard about not long since. Two ladies met on the street and one said: 'My dear Miss Smith, how has that budding genius I met at your house developed?' 'Oh,' replied the other, 'he has developed into a blooming idiot.' The development of this class has been along different lines."

President Davis then introduced Prof. Lorenzen, who gave a most stirring and strong address on the need of perseverance in the study of law, and particularly in the study of the case system. He said that in order to properly understand the law as exemplified by the case system it took hard, earnest work, all the time. Prof. Lorenzen's talk gave the class a good idea of what was expected of them in the school, and what would be expected of them after they left college.

Prof. Clephane gave a talk, together with several stories, which mainly centered around the "trouble" of a married man. He also gave some good advice to the class.

Prof. Earnest entertained us with some stories of his college days, which were highly amusing, and made us feel that he was

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really an overgrown boy and one that took a whole lot of interest in the student activities.

Prof. Mumma was the last one of the faculty to speak, and he maintained his reputation of being a fine story-teller by telling some very good stories which kept the room in continual laughter. He also spoke seriously about the training which the law gave a man's mind, saying that it kept a man from saying things he did not mean.

Too much credit cannot be given the committee in charge of the smoker for their work and the good judgment in the selection of a place. The only criticism that could be made—if it could be called a criticism—would be that they should have warned the class that they were going to a banquet and not a smoker, because that is what

we had. The faculty and individual members of the class were under the impression that they were going to an ordinary "smoker," but when we sat down at the tables and were served with a six-course dinner, beginning with oysters on the half-shell and ending up with ice cream, there was general regret that everybody had eaten their dinners before coming and could not do justice to the spread.

The committee consisted of Messrs. Tilton, chairman; DuBois, Mechlin, Baldwin and Gill. The arrangements for the whole affair were excellent and the affair itself was a decided success.

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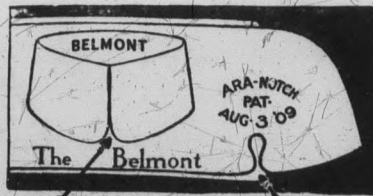
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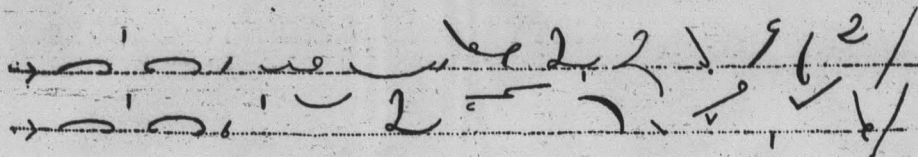
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The Beloit Round Table complains that its articles have been stolen by other college papers without due credit given.

Active training by the candidates for the boating and baseball teams at Leland Stanford.

An honorary organization known as the Tolo Club has been started by the women at Washington State University. The word Tolo is an Indian word meaning "success."

A string quartet has been formed at Dartmouth.

The New York Sun makes the statement that few well-to-do Boston girls go in for higher education, preferring the social whirl of gayety to serious study.

Supplies for the cadet corps at the University of Washington cost approximately \$30,000.

Leland Stanford will uphold the affirmative of the woman suffrage question against California.

The English Dramatic Association at Princeton recently produced "Henry IV."

The second co-ed number of the Wisconsin Cardinal appeared St. Patrick's day with sixteen pages of shimmering green.

The "Pennsylvanian" announces that the Pennsylvania crew will not meet Yale this year.

Malachi Kittredge, formerly of the Washington team, will coach the Harvard baseball battery candidates this year.

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